**Outline Directions for Argumentative Essay: Use this outline as a “road map” to type your final essay, this is how your final essay should look:**

**1) Introduction/Claim (One paragraph): Start with a hook or attention getting sentence. Briefly summarize the texts. State your claim, and make sure it’s in a complete sentence.**

**2) Body Paragraph: Transitional words, Reason, Evidence and Explanation: Include a sentence with a reason. Example: Video games are harmful because\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Include text evidence that supports your reason. Example: The author shows that video games are harmful because in paragraph 2 it states\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Include and explanation (warrant) that shows how your text evidence proved your claim. Example: The author uses this evidence to show how/that\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

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**6) Counterclaim Paragraph: Explain what others who don’t agree with your claim might say. For example: Some people might disagree. They may believe\_\_\_\_\_ because\_\_\_\_. Rebuttal**

**7) Conclusion (One paragraph): Restate your claim and summarize your reasoning. For example: In conclusion, the text shows that videogames are harmful by pointing out**